

REMARKS

The Specification and Claims have been amended in order to conform the application to U.S. practice.


Claims 1-27 have been canceled. Claims 28-54 have been added. Support for Claims 28-54 can be found on Claims 1-27 as originally filed.

Care has been taken to ensure that no new matter is added to the Specification or the Claims.

Entry and favorable consideration prior to consideration are respectfully requested.

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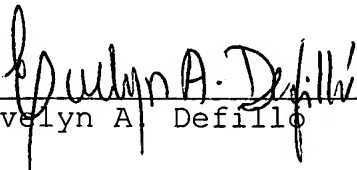


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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the foregoing PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT for U.S. Application No. 10/501,211, was deposited in first class U.S. mail, with sufficient postage, addressed to: Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 20, 2006.



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